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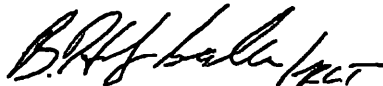
RE: MUR 5634 – Sierra Club

Dear Mr. Luckett:

This letter is to request an extension of time of 28 days to file the brief in this matter. While we would generally request an extension of only 20 days, due to the work and travel schedules of Sierra Club staff and of the attorneys in this office representing the organization, the additional time is necessary to prepare the brief. We received the General Counsel's brief on Monday, December 19. The Sierra Club offices will be closed for 9 of the 15 days provided to respond. Several of the key staff critical to the preparation of this brief had already scheduled vacations over the holidays for longer periods of time extending into the week prior to Christmas and Hanukah. The attorneys preparing the brief have similar conflicts as well as numerous deadlines in the first two weeks of January including the preparation of extensive comments on the Commission's Notice of Proposed Rulemaking on Coordinated Communications.

Therefore, we respectfully request an extension of 28 days to file the brief on January 31, 2006. In the event that it is not possible to grant an additional 8 days, we request a 20 day extension until January 23, 2006. If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact one of the undersigned.

Very truly yours,



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